

By Mr. JAMES: Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 308) authorizing the Secretary of War to loan cots, bedding, and camp equipment, not including tentage, for use of the Modern Woodmen of America Foresters at their national quadrennial encampment to be held at Milwaukee, Wis., in June, 1925; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. McKEOWN: Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 300) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States fixing the terms of Members of Congress; to the Committee on Election of President, Vice President, and Representatives in Congress.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. ARNOLD: A bill (H. R. 10741) granting an increase of pension to Bethena Starkey; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. BEGG: A bill (H. R. 10742) granting an increase of pension to Millie Burton; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 10743) granting an increase of pension to Mell A. Jones; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. BELL: A bill (H. R. 10744) granting an increase of pension to William H. Duncan; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. CAREW: A bill (H. R. 10745) granting a pension to Harriet I. Gardner; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. DEAL: A bill (H. R. 10746) for the relief of G. Ferlita; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. GIBSON: A bill (H. R. 10747) granting an increase of pension to Mersilvia A. Quaid; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. GILBERT: A bill (H. R. 10748) granting a pension to Claud F. Dunn; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 10749) granting a pension to Maude Grinstead; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 10750) granting a pension to Sallie A. Hooper; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 10751) granting a pension to Mary Million; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. HAWLEY: A bill (H. R. 10752) for the relief of Horace G. Wilson; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. HUDSON: A bill (H. R. 10753) for the relief of Charles H. Reed; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. HULL of Iowa: A bill (H. R. 10754) to reimburse certain fire insurance companies the amounts paid by them for property destroyed by fire in suppressing bubonic plague in the Territory of Hawaii in the years 1899 and 1900; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. KEARNS: A bill (H. R. 10755) granting an increase of pension to Anna McCann; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 10756) granting an increase of pension to Lucinda D. Woods; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LOGAN: A bill (H. R. 10757) granting an increase of pension to James O. Ladd; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. McKENZIE: A bill (H. R. 10758) granting an increase of pension to Helen Underwood; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. MILLIGAN: A bill (H. R. 10759) granting a pension to Mahala D. Heriford; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. PRALL: A bill (H. R. 10760) for the relief of Robinson Newbold; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. RUBEY: A bill (H. R. 10761) granting a pension to Anna Lee Adams; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 10762) granting a pension to Anna Hudson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SINCLAIR: A bill (H. R. 10763) for the relief of William Lentz; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. WILLIAMS of Michigan: A bill (H. R. 10764) granting a pension to Evvah A. Dickson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 10765) granting an increase of pension to Katherine Whitaker; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WOODRUFF: A bill (H. R. 10766) granting an increase of pension to Eva Briggs; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. MOORE of Illinois: Resolution (H. Res. 381) to pay Minnie Conway, widow of William Conway, late laborer of the House of Representatives, a sum equal to six months' salary and \$250 for funeral expenses; to the Committee on Accounts.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

3195. By the SPEAKER (by request): Petition of the Susan B. Anthony Foundation, Washington, D. C., favoring distribution by Congress of literature dealing with the perils of the narcotic question; to the Committee on Printing.

3196. By Mr. ANDREW: Petition of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce, advocating the federalization of the Cape Cod Canal, Mass.; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

3197. Also, petition of the Massachusetts Department of the Army and Navy Union, United States of America, favoring the immediate enactment of House bill 5934, the so-called Knutson bill, proposing to increase the pensions of Civil and Spanish War veterans and their widows and children; to the Committee on Pensions.

3198. By Mr. BIXLER: Petition of residents of Sheffield, Pa.; and vicinity, opposing compulsory Sunday observance laws, etc.; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3199. Also, petition of residents of Youngsville, Irvine, and Warren, opposing Sunday observance laws, etc.; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3200. Also, petition of residents of Youngsville and Warren, in Warren County, Pa., opposing compulsory Sunday observance laws; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3201. By Mr. GALLIVAN: Petition of Hon. James M. Curley, mayor of the city of Boston, Mass., recommending extension of the Air Mail Service to Boston, Mass.; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

3202. By Mr. GARBER: Petition of the National Industrial Traffic League, New York City, N. Y., expressing its opposition to statutory rate making; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

3203. Also, petition of citizens of Gate and Knowles, Okla., opposing the passage of Senate bill 3218; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3204. By Mr. GIBSON: Petition of citizens of Jamaica, Windham County, Vt., protesting against the passage of compulsory Sunday observance bill (S. 3218); to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3205. By Mr. GREEN: Petition of Soren C. Chrestensen and others, of Atlantic, Iowa, in opposition to Senate bill 3218; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3206. Also, petition of H. M. Robinson and others, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, in opposition to Senate bill 3218; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3207. By Mr. JOST: Petition of retired Federal postal employees, praying for passage of House bill 8202; to the Committee on the Civil Service.

3208. By Mr. SHREVE: Petition of Erie Tent, No. 1, the Maccabees, Erie, Pa.; Erie Lodge, No. 327, Knights of Pythias, Erie, Pa.; Harriet V. Gridley Auxiliary, Army and Navy Union, Erie, Pa.; and John Braden Post, No. 488, Grand Army of the Republic, North East, Pa., that pension of Civil War veterans be increased to \$72 per month, their widows to \$50, those that are totally disabled to \$125, and that these increase ratings include veterans of Indian wars and their widows; that the Knutson bill (H. R. 5934) be passed by Congress, providing for increase in pensions for veterans of Spanish War, Philippine insurrection, China relief expedition, and their widows; to the Committee on Pensions.

3209. By Mr. STRONG of Pennsylvania: Petition of residents of Indiana County, Pa., opposed to the compulsory Sunday observance bill and any other national religious legislation; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3210. By Mr. TAYLOR of West Virginia: Petition of Z. M. Trowbridge and 58 others, against the enactment of Senate bill 3218; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3211. By Mr. TILLMAN: Petition of citizens of Arkansas against the passage of Senate bill 3218; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

SENATE

MONDAY, December 15, 1924

(Legislative day of Wednesday, December 10, 1924)

The Senate met at 11.50 o'clock a. m., on the expiration of the recess.

Mr. CURTIS. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Secretary will call the roll.

The principal legislative clerk called the roll, and the following Senators answered to their names:

Ashurst	Ferris	McKellar	Shortridge
Bayard	Fess	McKinley	Simmons
Brookhart	Fletcher	McNary	Smith
Broussard	Frazier	Mayfield	Smoot
Bruce	George	Means	Spencer
Bursum	Glass	Metcalf	Stanfield
Butler	Greene	Moses	Stanley
Capper	Hale	Neely	Sterling
Caraway	Harrell	Norbeck	Trammell
Copeland	Harris	Norris	Underwood
Couzens	Harrison	Oddie	Wadsworth
Cummins	Heflin	Overman	Walsh, Mont.
Curtis	Howell	Pittman	Warren
Dial	Jones, N. Mex.	Ralston	Watson
Dill	Jones, Wash.	Randsdell	Weller
Edge	Kendrick	Reed, Pa.	Willis
Edwards	Keyes	Robinson	
Ernst	King	Sheppard	
Fernald	Ladd	Shipstead	

Mr. SHIPSTEAD. I desire to announce that my colleague, the senior Senator from Minnesota [Mr. JOHNSON], is necessarily absent on account of illness in his family.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Seventy-three Senators having answered to their names, there is a quorum present.

Mr. CURTIS. I am advised by the Sergeant at Arms of the House that they would like to have the Senators leave at 5 minutes after 12 for the joint meeting of the two Houses. I therefore move that the Senate take a recess—

Mr. SMOOT. I ask the Senator from Kansas to yield to me that I may submit two reports from the Committee on Finance.

Mr. CURTIS. Very well; I yield to the Senator from Utah.

DEBT SETTLEMENTS WITH LITHUANIA AND POLAND

Mr. SMOOT. Mr. President, I have two bills to report from the Finance Committee which must be passed and become a law before the first of the year. One provides for the settlement of our debt with Poland, the other for the settlement of our debt with Lithuania. I ask leave to report them favorably from the committee, and if there is no objection, I think they can be passed before we go to the House.

Mr. ROBINSON. Mr. President, I understand that the settlements provided for with respect to the nations just mentioned are practically the same as that heretofore made with Great Britain.

Mr. SMOOT. They are substantially the same as that made with the British Government.

Mr. ROBINSON. I have no objection to the passage of the bills.

Mr. NORRIS. Before consent is given for their consideration, let us see what the bills are. Let them be read.

Mr. ROBINSON. Let the bills be reported.

Mr. SMOOT. Mr. President, I report back favorably without amendment from the Committee on Finance Senate bill 3554, authorizing the settlement of the indebtedness of the Republic of Lithuania to the United States of America, and I submit a report thereon (Rept. No. 811). I ask for the immediate consideration of the bill.

Mr. NORRIS. Mr. President, as far as I am concerned, I do not care for the reading of this bill if it is stated by the chairman of the committee that the settlement is just the same as the settlement we made with Great Britain.

Mr. SMOOT. It is approximately the same. The only question is as to the first payment. The principal of the debt was \$4,981,628.03 and the interest to June 15, 1924, amounted to \$1,049,918.94, making the total obligation \$6,031,546.97. They paid in cash on September 22, 1924, \$1,546.97, and the bonds which will be issued will amount to \$6,030,000.

Mr. NORRIS. Is the rate of interest to be the same as that fixed in the case of Great Britain?

Mr. SMOOT. The rate of interest for 10 years will be 3 per cent, and after that 3½ per cent.

Mr. NORRIS. Just the same?

Mr. SMOOT. Just the same as with Great Britain, and it is the same with regard to Poland.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Utah has asked for the immediate consideration of the bill which he has just reported from the Committee on Finance. Is there objection?

There being no objection, the bill (S. 3554) to authorize the settlement of the indebtedness of the Republic of Lithuania to the United States of America was considered as in Committee of the Whole, and it was read, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the settlement of the indebtedness of the Republic of Lithuania to the United States of America made by the World War Foreign Debt Commission and approved by the President upon the following terms and conditions is hereby approved:

The amount of the indebtedness to be funded, after allowing for cash payments made by Lithuania, is \$6,030,000, which has been computed as follows:

Principal amount of obligations to be funded, \$4,981,628.03. Interest accrued thereon from June 30, 1919, to June 15, 1924, at the rate of 4½ per cent per annum, \$1,049,918.94. Total principal and interest accrued and unpaid as of June 15, 1924, \$6,031,546.97. Paid in cash by Lithuania September 22, 1924, \$1,546.97. Total indebtedness to be funded into bonds, \$6,030,000.

The principal of the bonds shall be paid in annual installments on June 15 of each year up to and including June 15, 1986, on a fixed schedule, subject to the right of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania to make such payments in three-year periods. The amount of the first year's installment shall be \$30,000, the annual installments to increase until in the sixty-second year the amount of the final installment will be \$227,000, the aggregate installments being equal to the total principal of the indebtedness to be funded into bonds.

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania shall have the right to pay off additional amounts of the principal of the bonds on any interest date upon 90 days' advance notice.

Interest on the bonds shall be payable semiannually on June 15 and December 15 of each year at the rate of 3 per cent per annum from June 15, 1924, to June 15, 1934, and thereafter at the rate of 3½ per cent per annum until final payment.

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania, at its option, upon not less than 90 days' notice, shall have the right to pay up to one-half of the interest accruing between June 15, 1924, and June 15, 1929, on the \$6,030,000 principal amount of bonds first to be issued, in bonds of Lithuania dated and bearing interest from the respective dates when the interest to be paid thereby becomes due, with maturities arranged serially to fall on each June 15, in the succeeding years up to June 15, 1986, substantially in the manner provided for the original issue of bonds and bearing the same rates of interest and substantially the same in other respects as such original issue of bonds.

Any payment of interest or of principal may be made, at the option of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania, in any United States Government obligations issued after April 6, 1917, such obligations to be taken at par and accrued interest.

The bill was reported to the Senate without amendment, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

Mr. SMOOT. From the Committee on Finance I report back favorably without amendment Senate bill 3553, authorizing the settlement of the indebtedness of the Republic of Poland to the United States of America, and submit a report thereon (Rept. No. 810). I ask for immediate consideration of the bill, and I will make just a brief statement regarding it.

The principal owing us from Poland was \$159,666,972.39. The interest to December 15, 1922, at 4½ per cent, just the same rate the English paid, was \$18,898,053.60, and the total owing on December 25, 1922, was \$178,565,025.99, and they paid cash on November 14, 1924, \$5,025.99.

The amount of the indebtedness funded into bonds will be \$178,560,000. The payments are to run for 62 years, just the same as in the case of Great Britain, and for the first 10 years the interest is to be 3 per cent, and after that 3½ per cent.

Mr. NORRIS. I would like to inquire of the Senator from Utah about the first payment, and also the payment made by the Government of Lithuania.

Mr. SMOOT. The payments made were just to make the amounts to be issued in bonds even.

Mr. NORRIS. I was wondering why they happened to pay the odd number of cents.

Mr. SMOOT. That is the reason.

Mr. NORRIS. In order to make the balance due an even number of dollars?

Mr. SMOOT. Yes; so that the bonds could be issued in an even amount.

Mr. NORRIS. These amounts were paid in cash?

Mr. SMOOT. They were all paid in cash.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the bill (S. 3553) authorizing the settlement of the indebtedness of the Republic of Poland to the United States of America was considered as in Committee of the Whole, and it was read, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the settlement of the indebtedness of the Republic of Poland to the United States of America, made by the World War Foreign Debt Commission and approved by the President upon the following terms and conditions, is hereby approved:

The amount of the indebtedness to be funded, after allowing for cash payments made by Poland, is \$178,560,000, which has been computed as follows: Principal amount of obligations to be funded,

\$159,666,972.39. Interest accrued and unpaid thereon to December 15, 1922, at the rate of 4½ per cent per annum, \$18,898,053.60. Total principal and interest accrued and unpaid as of December 15, 1922, \$178,565,025.99. Paid in cash by Poland November 14, 1924, \$5,025.99. Total indebtedness to be funded into bonds, \$178,560,000.

The principal of the bonds shall be paid in annual installments on December 15 of each year up to and including December 15, 1984, on a fixed schedule, subject to the right of the Government of the Republic of Poland to make such payments in three-year periods. The amount of the first year's installment shall be \$500,000, the annual installments to increase until in the sixty-second year the amount of the final installment will be \$9,000,000, the aggregate installments being equal to the total principal of the indebtedness to be funded into bonds.

The Government of the Republic of Poland shall have the right to pay off additional amounts of the principal of the bonds on any interest date upon 90 days' advance notice.

Interest on the bonds shall be payable semiannually on December 15 and June 15 of each year at the rate of 3 per cent per annum from December 15, 1922, to December 15, 1932, and thereafter at the rate of 3½ per cent per annum until final payment.

The Government of the Republic of Poland shall have the option with reference to payments on account of principal and/or interest falling due on or before December 15, 1929, under the terms of the agreement to make the following payments on the dates specified: June 15, 1925, \$500,000; December 15, 1925, \$500,000; June 15, 1926, \$750,000; December 15, 1926, \$750,000; June 15, 1927, \$1,000,000; December 15, 1927, \$1,000,000; June 15, 1928, \$1,250,000; December 15, 1928, \$1,250,000; June 15, 1929, \$1,500,000; December 15, 1929, \$1,500,000; total, \$10,000,000; and to pay the balance, including interest on all overdue payments at the rate of 3 per cent per annum, in bonds of Poland, dated December 15, 1920, bearing interest at the rate of 3 per cent per annum from December 15, 1929, to December 15, 1932, and thereafter at the rate of 3½ per cent per annum, such bonds to mature serially on December 15 of each year up to and including December 15, 1984, substantially in the same manner and to be substantially the same in other respects as the bonds of Poland received at the time of the funding of the indebtedness.

Any payment of interest or of principal may be made, at the option of the Government of the Republic of Poland, in any United States Government obligations issued after April 6, 1917, such obligations to be taken at par and accrued interest.

The bill was reported to the Senate without amendment, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

CHANGE OF REFERENCE

On motion of Mr. JONES of Washington, the Committee on Commerce was discharged from the further consideration of the bill (S. 3663) to amend section 7 of an act entitled "An act to enable any State to cooperate with any other State or States, or with the United States, for the protection of the watersheds of navigable streams, and to appoint a commission for the acquisition of lands for the purpose of conserving the navigability of navigable rivers," approved March 1, 1911, and it was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED

Mr. SMOOT introduced the following joint resolutions, which were severally read the first time, and, by unanimous consent, the second time, and referred to the Committee on Finance:

S. J. Res. 154. Joint resolution providing for the filling of a proximate vacancy in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, of the class other than Members of Congress; and

S. J. Res. 155. Joint resolution providing for the filling of a proximate vacancy in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, of the class other than Members of Congress.

MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR THE LATE WOODROW WILSON

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The hour having arrived for the joint session of the House and the Senate, the Senate will proceed to the Hall of the House of Representatives, and on the conclusion of the joint session it will reassemble in its Chamber.

Thereupon (at 12 o'clock and 3 minutes p. m.) the Senate, preceded by its Sergeant at Arms, the President pro tempore, and the Secretary, proceeded to the Hall of the House of Representatives.

At 1 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m. the Senate returned to its Chamber, and the President pro tempore resumed the chair.

Mr. SWANSON. Mr. President, as a further mark of respect to the memory of Woodrow Wilson, I move that the Senate do now adjourn.

The motion was unanimously agreed to; and the Senate (at 1 o'clock and 45 minutes p. m.) adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, December 16, 1924, at 12 o'clock meridian.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MONDAY, December 15, 1924

The House met at 11 o'clock and 30 minutes a. m. The Chaplain, Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., offered the following prayer:

O hear us, our blessed, Heavenly Father, at the threshold of the day's duties. May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, our Strength and our Redeemer. Establish the work of our hands; the work of our hands establish Thou it. Amen.

The Journal of the proceedings of Saturday, December 13, 1924, was read and approved.

RECESS

Mr. LONGWORTH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the House stand in recess subject to the call of the Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Ohio asks unanimous consent that the House stand in recess subject to the call of the Speaker. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

Accordingly, at 12 o'clock and 5 minutes p. m., the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Speaker.

MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR WOODROW WILSON

The program of arrangements by the joint committee of the House and the Senate follows:

PROGRAM OF ARRANGEMENTS

The Capitol will be closed on the morning of the 15th day of December, 1924, to all except Members and officers of Congress.

At half past 10 o'clock the east door leading to the rotunda will be opened to those to whom invitations have been extended under the concurrent resolution of Congress; and to those holding tickets of admission to the galleries.

The Hall of the House of Representatives will be opened for the admission of those who have invitations, who will be conducted to the seats assigned to them, as follows:

The President of the United States and his Cabinet will occupy seats in front of and on the left of the Speaker.

The Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court will occupy seats in front of and on the right of the Speaker.

The retired General of the Armies will be seated on the left of the Speaker.

The ambassadors and ministers of foreign governments will occupy seats on the left of the Speaker in section A—west.

The former Vice President and Senators will occupy seats back of the President and his Cabinet and the Supreme Court, and on the east and west side of the main aisle.

Governors of the several States will occupy seats on the right of the Speaker in section A—east.

Representatives will occupy seats on the east and west side of the main aisle and back of the Senators and governors of the several States.

The executive gallery will be reserved exclusively for the family of the President, the families of the Cabinet and of the Supreme Court, and the invited guests of the President.

The diplomatic gallery will be reserved exclusively for the families of the ambassadors and ministers of foreign governments. Tickets thereto will be delivered to the Secretary of State.

The House of Representatives will be called to order by the Speaker at 12 o'clock.

The Marine Band will be in attendance at half past 11 o'clock. The Senate, five minutes after 12 o'clock, will proceed to the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The ambassadors and ministers will meet at half past 11 o'clock in the Ways and Means Committee room in the Capitol and be conducted to the seats assigned to them in section A, on the left of the Speaker.

The President pro tempore of the Senate will occupy the Speaker's chair.

The Speaker of the House will occupy a seat at the left of the President of the Senate.

The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House will occupy seats next the presiding officers of their respective Houses.

The other officers of the Senate and of the House will occupy seats on the floor, at the right and left of the Speaker's chair.

The chairmen of the joint committee of arrangements will occupy seats at the right and left of the orator, and next to them will be seated the officiating clergymen.

Prayer will be offered by the Rev. James Shera Montgomery, Chaplain of the House of Representatives.